

News Advisory

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First 300 Skiers and Boarders to Receive Free Helmets at Brighton

WHAT: The first 300 skiers and boarders who come to Brighton Ski Resort Saturday morning,

Dec. 4, will receive a free, certified helmet courtesy of the Utah Department of Health (UDOH). Skiers and boarders who wear their UDOH helmets at the resort will also

receive \$5 off a lift ticket for the day.

WHY: UDOH data show that each year more than 1,800 Utahns suffer a traumatic brain

injury. Each day, one Utahn dies as a result of a brain injury. The UDOH is giving away the helmets to raise awareness of the problem of traumatic brain injury and to

emphasize the importance of helmets in injury prevention.

WHO: Representatives from Brighton Ski Resort, the Utah Department of Health Violence

and Injury Prevention Program and brain injury survivors will be available to talk about the problem of traumatic brain injury in Utah and the importance of wearing

helmets.

WHEN: 9:00 a.m. Saturday, December 4, 2004

WHERE: The Brighton Center at Brighton Ski Resort. (The Brighton Center is the resort's

main lodge – the large wood A-frame building. Parking attendants will be available

to direct you to the center.)

PHOTO Utah Department of Health staff will help fit helmets on young skiers. Brighton will

OPPS: allow photographers on the slopes for additional video.

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